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- Gillespie brought about 100 of the brochures on the preceding page for distribution.
- Grosvenor & his three guests were very sociable -- Cig insisted on buying me a drink.
- Kiefer was splendid; he sat on my left & Gillespie on my right & they chatted throughout dinner. Kiefer is one of the most urbane people I have ever been around; very assertive & very urbane; he, too, insisted on buying me a drink.
- the food was very good: baked/boiled chicken, rigatoni, shrimp, ham, cheese, scalloped potatoes, pickles, relishes & salads, ice cream & coffee.
- Gillespie's talk/presentation was interesting -- the Steamtown story. There were questions asked by SNP & by Kiefer and Gillespie responded with assurance although he has a tendency not to be a good listener.
- the evening ended with K&T, Hank, Kiefer & SNP having "one more pot of coffee" at Andrews. We talked about railroads, naturally.
- Most amazingly, SBS was elected a director of the CHSM; the current officers were re-elected for another term.
- present:
SNP, JV, Ken Colville, Hank Loftus, HAY & Barbara, Marie Parcell, Rita Scott, SBS, Cig Grosvenor & 3 guests; Kiefer, Eleanor Spelman, Joe Pascac.

Jim Hepburn was not able to be there because he was hospitalized with a stomach problem.

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Robert -

In my 'recreational' reading of late I have come across the following items which I can't resist sending along to you:

1. How to read Proust. - Oct. 1984 - *Smithsonian*, pp. 158-151
Amusing, I'm sure you'll agree.
2. Toasting Toklas. - *Vanity Fair* - Nov. 1984 - pp. 86-88, 90
One can never get enough of GS & ABT. 115-116.

This article is
inserted in my copy
of the ABT Cookbook

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3. LET US PRAY
Somewhat your 'conversion' and this article go in the same file.
4. Three clippings from the paper about you, in reduced size.

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I especially love Alice's description (pp. 115-116) of hashish brownies. In the cookbook she says:

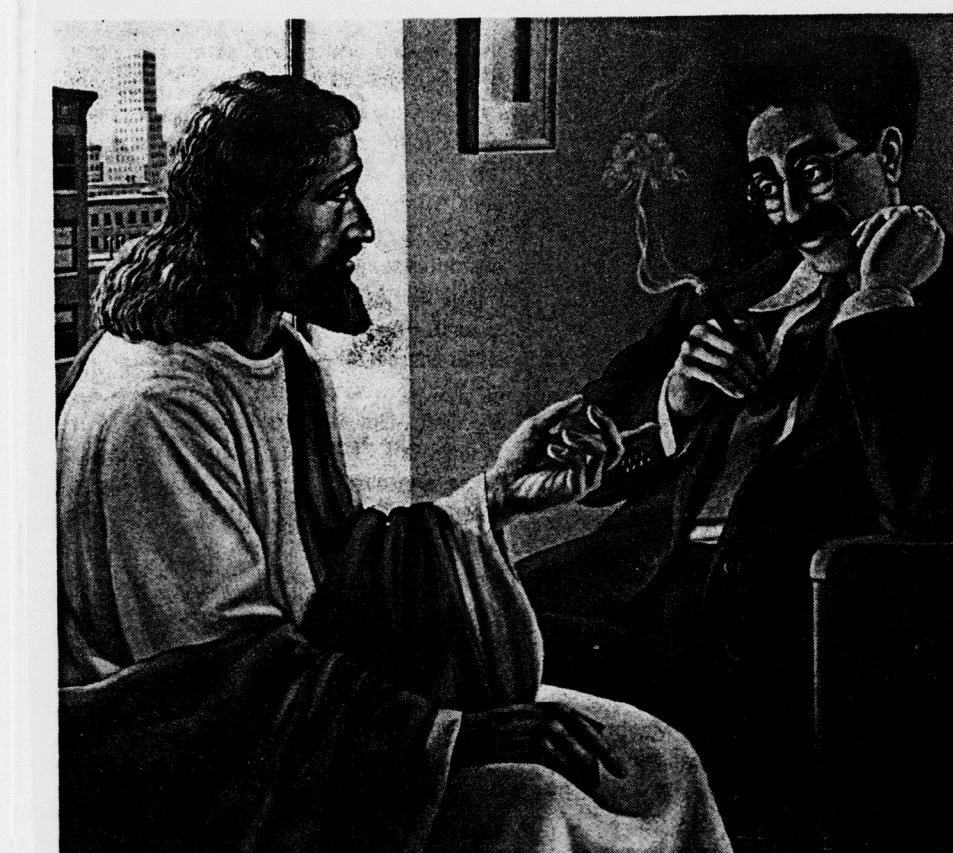
This is the food of Paradise - of Baudelaire's Artificial Paradises: it might be provided an entertaining refreshment for a Ladies' Bridge Club or a chapter meeting of the DAR. In Morocco it is thought to be good for warding off the common cold in damp winter weather and is, indeed, more effective if taken with large quantities of hot mint tea. Euphoric and brilliant storms of laughter; ecstatic reveries and extensions of one's personality on several simultaneous planes are to be completely expected. Almost anything Saint Theresa did, you can do better.

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John Fudge, Christ Still Speaks to Modern Man, 1983, oil on canvas, 26 1/2" x 29", at Bruce Vellick Gallery, San Francisco.